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Senate

The Senate met at 9:16 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable DANIEL K. AKAKA, a Senator from the State of Hawaii.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God of Hope, we praise You that You have vanquished the forces of death and given those who believe in Your resurrection power the assurance that this life is but a small part of eternity. We join with the British people in profound gratitude for the long life and encouraging inspiration of Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother. Her death came as no conqueror in the end; she rose to meet You, her Eternal Friend. She bestrode the twentieth century with charm, and virtue, and principle, and vibrant faith in You. We will never forget her smile, her inclusive affirmation of each person she met, and her courage through the sea of trouble that engulfed a century of two world wars.

Thank You for her wit, steeliness of character, and the way she lived life to the fullest, one day at a time, with un-failing trust in You. May the example of this loyal Scot, Queen Mum, a truly great woman encourage us all as we join with people everywhere in honoring the memory of this woman who royally expressed a common touch and a genuine enjoyment of life. Through the One who is the Resurrection and the Life, now and forever. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable DANIEL K. AKAKA led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 10, 2002.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable DANIEL K. AKAKA, a Senator from the State of Hawaii, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD,
President pro tempore.

Mr. AKAKA thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Nevada is recognized.

SCHEDULE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, shortly we shall return to debate on the Feinstein derivatives amendment. That debate will take place until a quarter of 10 today. At that time, the Senate will proceed to vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Senator FEINSTEIN's amendment.

We expect Senator CRAIG this morning we have been told—will offer an amendment relating to the renewables section of the underlying bill. We hope as soon as that measure is fully debated we will vote in relation thereto.

There will be votes during today's proceedings. As has been indicated by the majority leader, he has every hope we can finish this bill soon. This is now the 16th day we have been on this legislation. I certainly hope we can move to conclusion at an early date.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

NATIONAL LABORATORIES PARTNERSHIP IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2001

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will now resume consideration of S. 517, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 517) to authorize funding the Department of Energy to enhance its mission areas through technology transfer and partnerships for fiscal years 2002 and 2006, and for other purposes.

Pending:

Daschle/Bingaman further modified amendment No. 2917, in the nature of a substitute.

Feinstein modified amendment No. 2989 (to amendment No. 2917), to provide regulatory oversight over energy trading markets and metals trading markets.

Kerry/McCain amendment No. 2999 (to amendment No. 2917), to provide for increased average fuel economy standards for passenger automobiles and light trucks.

Dayton/Grassley amendment No. 3008 (to amendment No. 2917), to require that Federal agencies use ethanol-blended gasoline and biodiesel-blended diesel fuel in areas in which ethanol-blended gasoline and biodiesel-blended diesel fuel are available.

Lott amendment No. 3028 (to amendment No. 2917), to provide for the fair treatment of Presidential judicial nominees.

Landrieu/Kyl amendment No. 3050 (to amendment No. 2917), to increase the transfer capability of electric energy transmission systems through participant-funded investment.

Graham amendment No. 3070 (to amendment No. 2917), to clarify the provisions relating to the Renewable Portfolio Standard.

Reid modified amendment No. 3081 (to amendment No. 2989), in the nature of a substitute. (By 40 yeas to 59 nays (Vote No. 60), Senate earlier failed to table the amendment.)

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the

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